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FOREWORD

San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, in recognition of changed conditions and lack of current information for the Arroyo Grande - Nipomo Mesa Area, contracted with the Department of Water Resources to reexamine the water resources of this area. The study was jointly funded by the county and the State.

The study sought to update hydrologic and hydrogeologic data, to refine understanding of the hydrologic and hydrogeologic systems, and to update water demand and supply projections for both the Santa Maria Groundwater Basin and the surrounding bedrock within San Luis Obispo County. This report provides the county and local agencies with a framework for making water resource planning and management decisions.

The Department appreciated being able to work with the county on this important assignment.

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